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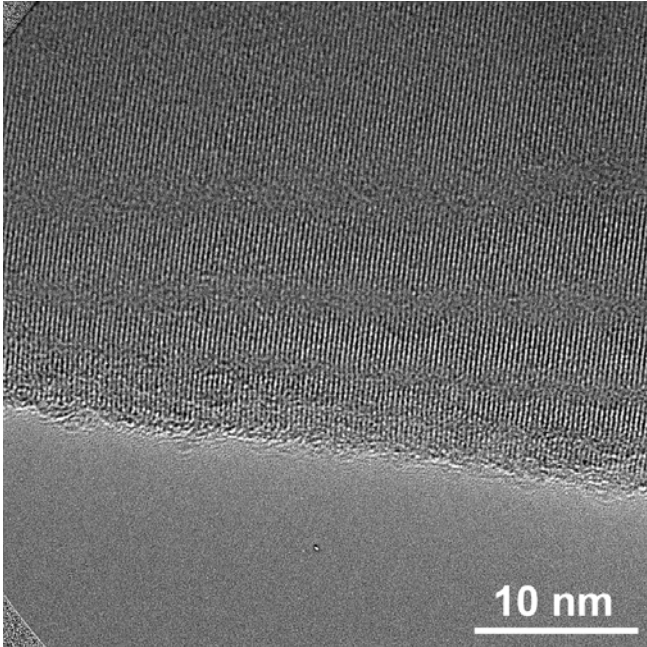


FIG. S1. TEM image of a Au-catalyzed,  $\text{SiCl}_4$ -grown nanowire. The vertical lines are lattice fringes, and the horizontal bands are due to the curved surface of the wire causing interference fringes. From this image, we infer a lattice spacing of  $0.307 \pm 0.004\text{ nm}$ , consistent with growth in the  $\langle 111 \rangle$  direction.

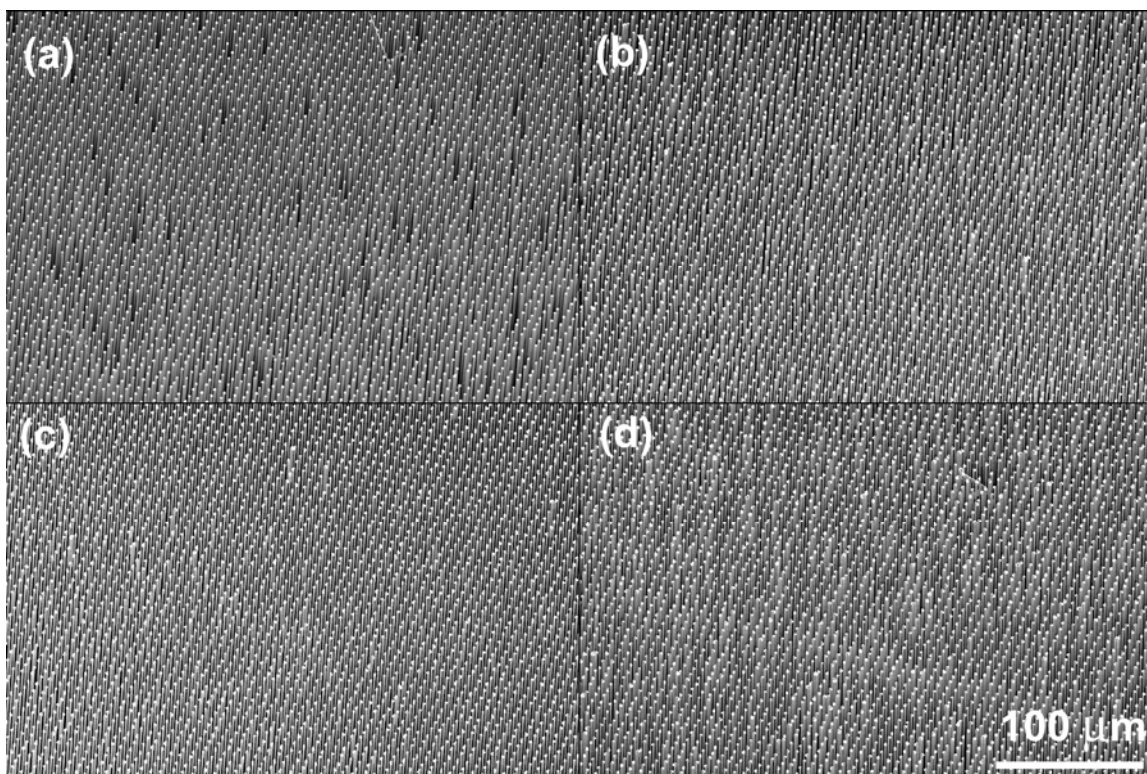


Fig. S2. Representative tilted SEM images of regions near each of the four corners of a 0.5 x 1 cm sample grown at 1000 °C with Cu catalyst, illustrating the uniformity over large areas. Scale bar applies to all panels.

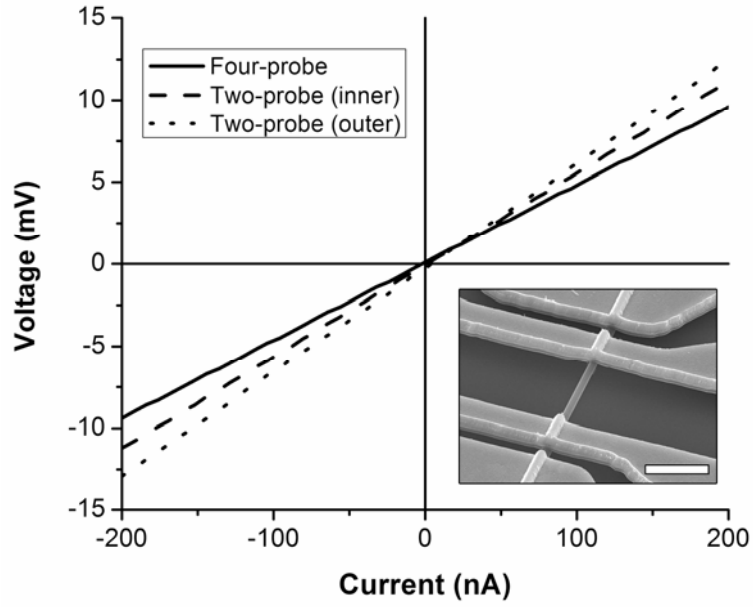


FIG. S3. A typical I-V measurement for an individually contacted nanowire using the four-point probe technique. The wire resistance for this sample was 50 k $\Omega$ , corresponding to a doping level of  $2.9 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , assuming the same carrier mobility as that in bulk Si. Inset: SEM image of a four-probe measurement device, viewed at 45°. The scale bar is 6  $\mu\text{m}$ .

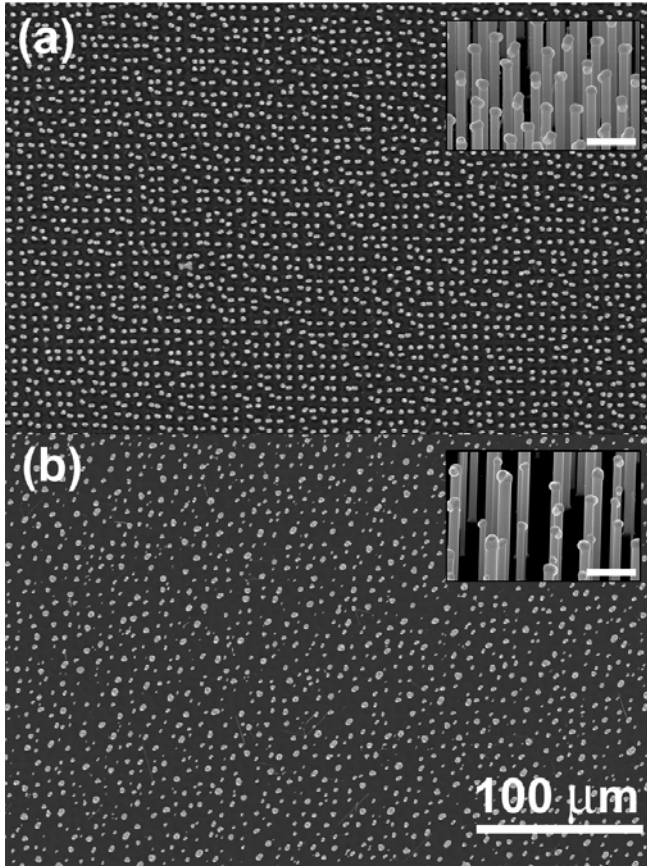


FIG. S4. Top-down and (inset) tilted SEM views of the Au-catalyzed Si wire growth at (a) 1075 °C and (b) 1100 °C, showing the breakdown in pattern fidelity due to the destruction of surface oxide. The 100  $\mu\text{m}$  scale bar applies to both panels, and the scale bars in the insets are 10  $\mu\text{m}$ .